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28. A pharmaceutical dosage unit in tablet form comprising a plurality of granules having an internal core of potassium chloride and an external extended release coating, wherein the dosage unit contains 15 mEq potassium.
29. The dosage unit of claim 28, wherein the extended release coating comprises ethylcellulose.
30. The dosage unit of claim 28, wherein the granules are essentially free of surfactants or processing aids and agents.

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